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Kolan South Established in 1878



Kolan South State School strives for a Quality Education for All Students ~ Respect ~ Responsibility ~ Safety

Principal's Messages ~ Welcome back to our final term of the school year. Lots happening. Best wishes to everyone.

Welcome Term 4

Welcome back everyone for our final term of the 2017 school year. Great to have some decent rain, finally. It is a very busy and exciting term for staff, students and parents with end-of-year events and excursions.

Our Year 6 students and their families are faced with the final weeks of primary school and transition arrangements for high school. Best wishes to these families for a positive finish to primary school at Kolan South. Our Year 6 Graduation morning on Thursday, 30 November, will be the usual great celebration.

We are also preparing for orientation of our Prep students for 2018, and welcoming new families to our school community.

Calendar

Please check the calendar of events for this term because it is a very busy time leading up to Break-up Day.

Corps of Drums Performances

Congratulations to all students, staff and parents involved with the Corps of Drums performances over the holiday period. There will be some photos, next newsletter.

Maths Competition Results

Last term, Year 2 to 6 students participated in the University of New South Wales Maths Competition. Well done to all students who participated.

Zeke Pardon and Travis Blanch achieved Distinction awards. Congratulations to these students who achieved a higher award:

DISTINCTION AWARDS

Zeke Pardon, Travis Blanch



CREDIT AWARDS

Tane Hart, Cassie McMullen, Samuel Myer, Kohbi Thomas, Luke Willis, Aimee Blackley, Monique Breen, Liam Mason, Nicholas Goodland, William Myer, Kyla Pardon, Jack Blackley, Jaeken Gorlick, Hannah Lowe, Haydn Christen, Tahnaya Donald, Ella Myers, Ethan Peno, Lachlan Simpson

MERIT AWARDS

Matthew-Riley Ball, Kate Simpson, Morgan Bale, Ethan Hamel, Ryder Lythall-Webb, Sophie Blackley, Xavier Murray, Ruby Thomas

SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Katie Dingle, Denaye Bale, Zach Hamel, Eliza Piper, Kaelin Hart, Isobel Mann, Riley Parsons, Harrison Senescall, Jim Card, Brooklyn Terry, Kash Thomas, Matthew Willis, Billie-Jo Piper, Summer Zimmermann

Tuckshop

Tuckshop continues this Friday, 6 October.

Soccer Carnival

Students in Year 4 to 6 will participate in a soccer carnival at Gin Gin, next Friday, 13 October. Students will receive a letter early next week confirming arrangements.

Excursions

A letter will soon be sent home to families detailing excursion itineraries, inventories and payment arrangements.

Parent Volunteers

A Parent Volunteers Request form is included with today's newsletter for the various excursions. Please return by this Friday, 6 October.

Excursion Payments

We are encouraging families to consider paying excursion fees in instalments to alleviate the financial burden. For larger families, there will be a cap on the total cost of excursions. We will communicate this information, soon.

<u>Group</u>	<u>Destination</u>
Prep / Year 1	Bundaberg Day Trip 28 Nov (\$30)
Year 2	Mon Repos - 16 & 17 Nov (\$45)
Year 3&4	Capricorn Caves - 2 & 3 Nov (\$140)
Year 5&6	Agnes Water / 1770 - 16 & 17 Nov (\$170)

Fair Meeting

There will be a special Fair Meeting next Wednesday afternoon at 3.30 to commence planning for next year's 140th celebration.

Jeff Searle

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Oct 2 (Mon)	Labour Day Holiday
Oct 3 (Tue)	Term 4 commences
Oct 11 (Wed)	140th Fair Meeting 3.30pm
Oct 13 (Fri)	Gin Gin District Soccer Carnival (Year 4—6)
Oct 16 (Mon)	Student Free Day
Oct 20 (Fri)	Colour Fun Run Event 9.00—11.30am
Oct 26 (Thur)	Swimming commences (Year 4/5 and 5/6)
Oct 27 (Fri)	Day for Daniel
Oct 30 (Mon)	After School Sport commences
Nov 1 (Wed)	P&C Meeting 3.30pm
Nov 2&3	Year 3&4 Capricorn Caves Excursion
Nov 10 (Fri)	Prep Orientation Morning
Nov 16&17	Year 2 Mon Repos Excursion Year 5&6 Discovery Coast Excursion
Nov 28 (Tue)	Prep / Year 1 Excursion
Nov 29 (Wed)	High School Transition Day (North & Gin Gin)
Nov 30 (Thur)	Year 6 Graduation Presentation 9.00-9.45am
Dec 6 (Wed)	Family Night
Dec 7 (Thur)	Christmas Pageant (Corps of Drums)
Dec 8 (Fri)	Break-up Day

***140th Celebration Fair—Saturday, 19 May, 2018**

Our weekly Assembly is on Thursday morning at 9.00am in the Library. All parents welcome.

Kolan South Billboard

Class Awards



- Nikki Holt:** Some great 'dressed up' sentences. Knows all the words in Orange Level. Fabulous!
- Jackson Ayling:** Working well in maths.
- Charlie Senescall:** Knows the 12 Golden Words which make up one quarter of the words used in reading.
- Taylor Willoughby:** Knows all the words in Green Level. Good work!
- Sarah Cornelius:** Knows all the words in Green Level. Good work!
- Lachlan McLaren:** Knows all 20 Red Words. Together with the 12 Golden Words he now knows one third of all the words used in reading.
- Bailey Hudson:** Knows all the Indigo Words. Terrific!
- Shantelle Donald:** Knows all 20 Red Words. Together with the 12 Golden Words she now knows one third of all the words used in reading.
- Destiny Cox:** Knows all 20 Red Words. Together with the 12 Golden Words she now knows one third of all the words used in reading.
- Jake Stewart:** Knows all 20 Red Words. Together with the 12 Golden Words he now knows one third of all the words used in reading.
- Kellie Blackley:** Knows the 20 Lemon Words and has mastered the next Magic 100 Words! Excellent!
- Kate Simpson:** Helping others.
- Emily Webster:** Always working hard.
- Brooke Hudson:** Consistently working to the best of her ability. Well done Brooke.
- Dakota Quilkey:** Conscientious effort writing her traditional story.
- Toryn Luhrs:** Excellent effort in Mathematics.
- Brandon Witcher:** Awesome descriptive writing in 'Show, Don't Tell'.
- Riley Parsons:** Amazing speed and accuracy with number facts.
- Seth Dickson:** Fantastic participation in your Panel Discussion.



Class Awards

October



7 Tenayah McBurnie, 8 Cooper Willoughby
11 Lachlan McLaren, 13 Cassie McMullen
14 Joshua Recio-Wilder, 16 Ryder Lythall-Webb
18 Alison Douglas, 20 Jack Blackley
21 Sarah Cornelius, 25 Angus Quilkey

Earn & Learn



In the week ending Friday 15 September, we received a massive 3,130 stickers to add to our tally. What a sensational effort! Our tally to date is 11,658 points, an improvement on our previous total in 2015. Thank you to everyone who participated and to all the students who gave up some of their lunch time to help put stickers on sheets. Your help is much appreciated.

Disco Thanks



Thank-you to all families who supported the disco at the end of last term. Thank-you to P&C members, parents and staff who helped in the organisation and running of the canteen, sausage sizzle, raffle and disco activities. Well done to the students for their brilliant participation.

FATHERS' DAY RAFFLE

Thank-you to all families who supported the Fathers' Day raffle held towards the end of Term 3. \$843 was raised for the P&C to support our school. Thanks, everyone!

Freedom Communities Winners

Kolan South has come first in the latest Freedom Communities competition. We have won \$1000 towards a Gardening Project. Fantastic!



Thanks again for your support!

Kolan South State School is 140 Years old in 2018. We are having a Fair on Saturday 19 May to celebrate our amazing school. We hope you can be there.

BOTTLES NEEDED

2 litres plastic soft drink bottles (empty) are needed for Year 3/4 Science. Thanks for helping us out.



2018 school calendar Queensland state schools



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 School terms
 State school holidays
 Public holidays
 Staff professional development/student free day

There are 197 school days in 2018.

Semester 1 2019 commences for teachers on January 24 and for students on January 29.

STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS

Staff professional development days for teachers are January 18, 19, April 11, 12, 13, 16 and October 22. Schools are able to decide when they undertake the required hours for professional development for the flexible days, as long as they are on the flexible days, in the school holidays or out of school hours.

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Queensland public holidays are set by the Industrial Relations Minister. Public holidays for a local show are not shown due to diversity of dates across the state.

FINAL DATES FOR STUDENT ATTENDANCE

November 16 is the final date for Year 12 attendance for receipt of a Senior Statement. November 30 is the final date for student attendance in Years 10 and 11.

Some schools in regional, rural and remote areas will close for the summer holidays on December 7.

The information in this calendar was correct at the time of publication (June 2017) but may be subject to change.

For more information and the latest version of this calendar, visit

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